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Mr. Norman Beckman
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The Library of Congress
Washington, D. C. 20540

Attention: Mr. Joel M. Woldman

Dear Mr. Beckman:

Thank you for your letter of 30 April advising us that members of Congress have asked you to gather information relating to the assignment to various positions of U. S. citizens who, because of membership in a specified ethnic, religious, racial or other group, might be deemed unacceptable by foreign governments.

We have carefully reviewed your request, but do not honestly believe that this Agency is in a position to be of any real assistance to you. As you may appreciate, we do not send our people overseas as CIA employees per se; therefore, to the best of my knowledge, we are not the recipients of any formal demands or requirements from foreign governments such as mentioned in your attached questionnaire. I would think that matters of this concern on the part of a foreign government would be directed to recognized representatives of the U. S. Government, such as the State Department or Department of Defense, which maintain formal, open relationships with various officials of foreign countries.

We appreciate your writing to us concerning this matter and hope that this response will be of some value to you in completing your report.

Sincerely,

(Signed) F. W. M. Janney

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Director of Personnel

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